

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PARM, ICRC  
SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON WEAPONS ISSUES AT LAWS FOR WAR  
CONFERENCE

1. WESTERN LIAISON GROUP MET AT U.K. MISSION GENEVA ON  
FEBRUARY 22. ALL PARTICIPATING STATES REPRESENTED EXCEPT IRELAND.  
GROUP HEARD U.S. DELEGATION'S SUMMARY OF MOSCOW CONSULTATIONS  
AND REVIEWED PREPARATIONS FOR WORK AT THE FINAL SESSION OF THE  
CONFERENCE. IT WAS AGREED THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE AND ITS WORKING  
GROUP SHOULD NOT MEET AT OUTSET OF CONFERENCE SESSIONS IN APRIL  
AND, IDEALLY, THAT THEY SHOULD NOT MEET UNTIL THIRD COMMITTEE  
HAS FINISHED ITS WORK. GROUP GENERALLY APPROVED SOVIET  
SUGGESTIONS THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE'S WORK PRODUCT SHOULD BE  
MERELY IDENTIFICATION OF AGREEMENTS AND DISAGREEMENTS AND THAT  
CONFERENCE COULD SEND THIS PRODUCT TO GOVERNMENTS AND PERHAPS TO  
THE U.N. BY RESOLUTION.

2. ON SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS, THERE WERE VERY FEW INDICATIONS  
OF ANY CHANGES OF POSITION. ALDRICH MENTIONED THAT NEW U.S.  
ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE REVIEWING WEAPONS ISSUES AND THAT IT WAS  
POSSIBLE THAT USG MIGHT AGREE TO SUPPORT DUTCH PROPOSAL  
RESTRICTING USE OF NAPALM IN CITIES. FRG DELEGATE REACTED WITH  
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PREDICTABLE APPREHENSION. THERE WAS GENERAL CONCERN THAT FUEL AIR  
EXPLOSIVES COULD BE MORE A FOCUS OF ATTACK THAN PREVIOUSLY, AND  
MOST DELEGATES WHO SPOKE EXPRESSED DESIRE TO RETAIN THE OPTION  
OF ACQUIRING SUCH WEAPONS. CATTO

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